

# How Can the World's Untrained Pastors Receive Training?



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# Through the Concept and Curriculum of The Bible Training Centre for Pastors.

Extending  
**non-formal,**  
**theological**  
**training,**  
to the  
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**pastors**  
and  
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leaders

Because, unfortunately, a formal theological training is neither affordable nor accessible to the majority of the world's untrained pastors.

A unified, **self-contained 10-course curriculum** designed to provide a national pastor with the basic knowledge and skills necessary to practically, adequately and effectively carry out his biblical role.

The U.S. Center for World Missions estimates that today **millions of untrained pastors** serve in churches around the world.

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# Over 100,000 Pastors and Hundreds of Ministry Partners Would Attest — There’s Nothing Else Like BTCP Available Anywhere in the World.

## BTCP’s Philosophy of Ministry

**Mission:** *To extend basic non-formal theological training to the world’s untrained pastors and church leaders.*

**Mandate:** *“Therefore go and make disciples...teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” Matthew 28: 19 – 20*

**Means:** *“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful...so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped.” 2 Timothy 3: 16 – 17*

**Method:** *“It was He who gave some to be...pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service.” Ephesians 4: 11 – 12*

**Multiplication:** *“And the things you have heard me say...entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.” 2 Timothy 2: 2*

## BTCP’s History

In 1988 Dennis Mock – the founder of BTCP – taught a pastors conference in Mombasa, Kenya. He quickly realized that these men were eager to learn, but had never had an opportunity for even the most basic theological training. Following his experience in Kenya, Dennis wrote a comprehensive 10-course curriculum designed to equip pastors with essential Bible knowledge and pastoral skills. Since the first class graduated in Nairobi, Kenya in 1990, the Lord has expanded the ministry of BTCP around the world through hundreds of ministry partners who are using the program in approximately 2,000 classes in over 80 countries today.



## BTCP’s Concept and Curriculum

The Concept involves a biblical, systematic, portable and comprehensive life-on-life approach that provides the foundational equivalent of a good Bible college or seminary education. This non-formal training is relationally delivered, trans-denominational and affordable.

The Curriculum consists of 10 courses with 520 hours of interactive classroom lecture and discussion under the supervision of a qualified teacher. The training is available in over 25 languages and takes 2½ years to complete at a per-student cost of \$100 per year. The Bible is our main textbook and along with the 10 course manuals becomes a lifetime resource for the pastor in his ministry.

The 10 BTCP Courses:	
1	Bible Study Methods and Rules of Interpretation
2	Old Testament Survey
3	New Testament Survey
4	Preaching Biblical Messages and Pastoral Ministry
5	Bible Doctrine Survey
6	Personal Spiritual Life
7	Church Ministry/Administration/Education
8	Teaching Principles and Methods
9	Church History Survey
10	Missions/Evangelism/Discipleship



## BTCP’s Implementation Strategy

BTCP has over 200 implementing partners who utilize our concept and curriculum. BTCP provides a biblical concept, quality training materials and mutual accountability with those partners to insure the greatest effectiveness, fruitfulness and stewardship.



## What Does a Trained Pastor Look Like?

The trained pastor will have the necessary Bible knowledge, ministry skills and Christ-like character to properly minister to the Lord’s people. He can best be described with four words: confident, competent, conformed and capable.

### Confident in the Scriptures

- He knows, understands and applies God’s Word.
- He has a biblical worldview.

### Competent in basic ministry skills

- He is able to teach/preach God’s Word to equip God’s people.
- As an undershepherd, he is able to counsel, lead and comfort those entrusted to his care.



### Conformed to the image of the Lord Jesus Christ

- His character and conduct reflect the grace of Christ.
- He is a Spirit-led servant leader.
- He is growing in spiritual maturity.

### Capable of spiritual reproduction

- He is purposely multiplying and investing in other leaders.

In summary: The goal of BTCP is to equip a pastor or church leader to know God’s Word, walk authentically in His grace and minister effectively to His people.

## What Pastors and Graduates Say About BTCP:

“God’s blessing – that’s what I call this course. It is a practical approach that is based on God’s word, encourages us to follow the call of Christ and bear fruit.”

*Vasyl Ratushniy – Cherkassy, Ukraine*

“When I stand before people, I know how to communicate and what to preach and teach because I know the content. And I learned that my personal holiness is the greatest need of my people.”

*Robert Mwesigwa – Uganda*



“After being trained, my insecurities are gone and now I have confidence to do the ministry.”

*Pastor Teofilo Ramayla – Mindanao, Philippines*